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Will city allow fireworks on the Fourth?



Chris Hunter

Fireworks explode over the skies of Park City on July 4. Bel Aire residents had to travel outside of their city to view or shoot off fireworks because of a law in effect not allowing fireworks.

Council to look at fireworks laws

By Chris Hunter

Another Fourth of July went by in Bel Aire with peace and quiet. No pops or bangs. Neither rockets red glares nor bombs bursting in the air were part of the Fourth in Bel Aire because of firework laws prohibiting discharge but that soon may change. After pressure from citizens and some council members, Bel Aire may be changing its firework policies. The city, called one of the last fireworks “hold outs” by Sedgwick County Fire Marshal Tim Millspaugh, is currently drafting an ordinance for the sale and discharge of fireworks in the city.

Citizens speak out

Since the city was formed in 1982, fireworks have been illegal in Bel Aire, but recently signage from the county about fireworks being illegal prompted a call from many residents who did not realize fireworks were illegal in Bel Aire. “I think this spurred interest from citizens,” said Bel Aire City Administrator Ty Lasher. “People started calling us saying ‘we would like to be able to shoot fireworks in Bel Aire.’” Lasher said the signs started discussions among citizens and even led to a petition being circulated. One of the founders of the petition is

Carol Ignoto. Ignoto said she and others started the petition because the holiday makes her think of many things, including her family, friends, troops and more. “It brings us together,” Ignoto said. “We should be allowed to celebrate in our own homes instead of everyone having to travel out of Bel Aire on that day.” Ignoto and Don Portmiller came up with a rough ordinance in the beginning based on Park City’s firework ordinance to help get something brought to the city. “We went with them,” Ignoto said.

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Land deal for Wichita schools set to wrap up

By Chris Hunter

After months of negotiations, Bel Aire and the Wichita school district could be finished with their land deal by the end of the first week of November. The Bel Aire City Council voted to accept a contract from USD 259 for the purchase of 140 acres at two locations along 53rd North for \$1.781 million on Oct. 20. City Administrator Ty Lasher said the district wasted no time and has already submitted petitions for roads, sewer and water to the sites. Lasher said the title company is working on all of the documents for closing. “They found some easements to work out,” Lasher said. “They were some blanket easements and we are taking care of that. We are very close.” The sites will feature a new high school and a new kindergarten-through-eighth-grade school.

Hartman withdraws bid to run coliseum

County to choose from two plans

By Chris Hunter

Three developers have submitted proposals to the Sedgwick County Commission to run the Kansas Coliseum — Wink Hartman, North American Management of Kansas LLC (NORAM) and Heritage Development. During the past few weeks, the county has refused to release details of the proposals because they were “sealed bids,” according to Commissioner Kelly Parks. On Oct. 1, however, Sedgwick County officials made the determination to release them to the public. Since then, Hartman has withdrawn its proposal. Here’s a look at the remaining plans:

NORAM

North American Management of Kansas LLC’s proposal features a cadre of personnel familiar with both Park City and the Kansas Coliseum. Among the prominent names in the proposal are John Nath, Jacque Wedel and Doug Spangler. Nath and Wedel are former Sedgwick County employees at the coliseum. Both left in 2008 to work with Hartman to open his arena. Spangler, another familiar name in north Sedgwick County, is a member of AHG LLC, the owner of the defunct Wild West World theme park. Spangler is also employed by government affairs for the Wyandotte Nation in Oklahoma where he has “assisted in the formation and development of programs involving destination entertainment/gaming.” In the NORAM proposal, the land the coliseum sits on would be still be owned by Sedgwick County. While other proposals are mainly using the pavilions, NORAM is proposing to use the entire facility, including Britt Brown Arena. Spangler called the plan “responsive to what (the county) needs.” The proposal states the group would reduce seating and add on to the coliseum. A pair of additional “proposed stadiums” are included in the blueprints for the Britt Brown Arena which would “accommodate multiple events or national events which require more space.” One of the biggest concerns with Britt Brown Arena is its non-compliance with the Americans with Disabilities

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Veterans to be honored

By The Breeze staff

The Bel Aire Senior Center will be hosting a musical tribute on Nov. 2. Bel Aire Senior Center Director Rick Eberhard said

the event will honor all Bel Aire veterans. At 6:30 p.m., the Bel Aire Senior Center dinner and meeting will take place with a musical tribute starting at 7:30 p.m.

Eberhard said veterans need to take some steps before the event. Eberhard is asking for veterans to submit a description of their experience in the military, pictures of their

time and, if possible, for veterans to wear or bring their uniforms. Family and friends of veterans are also invited and should wear patriotic colors of red, white and blue.



Mayor's corner

By Harold Smith

Fall Fest, fireworks and land

Hi! I hope everything is going well at your house. Let's talk awhile about events at City Hall.

Bel Aire Day

The Special Events Committee put together a great program. Once again we were sabotaged by the weather. We worried all week about the rain. This year it was the wind and the cold that got us. The committee is expecting a tornado next year. Those who braved the weather had some good entertainment.

Thank you committee members Lois Hiebert, Wanda Urquhart, Vyrn Slaby, Vickie Woodworth, Jim Fields and Carolyn Smith for making this happen. Also we want to thank our sponsors: City of Bel Aire, Crossroads Friends Church, MKEC Engineering, Baughman Co., Security Bank of KC, Schwab Eaton Engineering, Wickham Glass, Catholic Care Center, Community National Bank, Enterprise Rent-A-Car, Stutzman Trash Service, Morgan-Bulleigh, Hall's Speed Shop, Kansasland Tire, Granite Transformations and ICI Insurance.

Fireworks

The council is looking at a new fireworks ordinance that will allow fireworks on July 4. The terms being considered are: Only fireworks defined by the state fire marshal, must be over 14 or supervised by an adult, between 9 a.m. and midnight on July 4, at a private residence or within an authorized shooting area. The council would like to hear your thoughts on this. The decision will probably be made in November.

City manager

We are also looking at changing the position of city administrator to city manager. The major difference is that it moves more of the responsibility for day-to-day administration from the governing body to the new position of city manager. The current state law was passed in 1871 before there were any city administrators or city managers. There still needs to be a balance of power between the council, mayor and city administrator (manager) and we are all sensitive to this need. Call me if you would like more detail on this and let us know if you have any suggestions.

Land business

School land: We are still working out the final details of a contract to sell 140 acres to USD 259 to build two schools in Bel Aire. We still believe this will happen and that the closing may be within a few days, maybe by the time you read this.

Industrial park: Selling 800 acres east of Webb, to be used as an industrial park, is still a possibility. We have a long way to go to work out the details and reach an agreement. Many of us see this as an important economic development project that would benefit all of the county. This will be an expensive project for Bel Aire but it will also bring our future debt management more under control.

Central Park lots: We have had a disappointing year in selling residential lots in Central Park. In the meantime, the city is paying interest on the land debt and also special taxes on some of the unsold lots. Part of this is the result of the national economic situation. We also need to do better on making these lots more attractive to more people. We are re-platting some of the areas and changing some of the covenants. We are using the advice of people who know what works (builders, real estate sales agents and engineering and survey firms). We have not yet decided how to re-start lot sales in the original area of Central Park. We will need to find a balance between the interest of homeowners in Central Park and the homeowners in all of Bel Aire. Your thoughts will be appreciated.

Competition pays off

As I sat listening to the Park City council discuss trash last month I realized some people are worried more about choice than the price.

While discussing a single-stream recycling program, several council members started voicing their objections to the fact Park City had a contract with a single trash hauler. "It is eliminating choice," said one council member while another said the hauler was "destroying independent haulers."

Throughout the whole health care debate, it seems like I have heard this same argument.

Let's compare the two, shall we? Park City, Bel Aire and Kechi all have a contract with trash and recycling companies for lower charges for trash service if you go with one company.

In Kechi, some residents talked about \$80 or higher quarterly bills, equaling to about \$26 or more a month.

In Park City, where I have lived for years, trash bills for some residents reached \$87 per quarter, or just under \$30 a month.

Currently, the trash rates are \$10.25, with a \$4.25 recycling fee, in Kechi and \$11, with a \$3.65 recycling fee, in Park City because

Hunting for the truth

By Chris Hunter



of, you guessed it, government intervention.

While slightly different than a public option in health care, the forced competition by the cities has dramatically lowered the costs of trash and recycling service.

Discussion among some council members about the trash contracts being taken over is also unfounded.

Despite Park City's contract with Stutzman, several Park City residents I know still have other haulers such as Waste Management or Waste Connections but at the Stutzman rate.

Amazing, a government entity forcing the price of a service down by introducing lower-priced competition into the system.

This could easily be done with health care by the government setting up its own insurance company (also creating jobs) and having a lower, more affordable rate.

As we have seen with the trash

companies, the argument of this running other companies out of business is ridiculous as the competitors will have to end up lowering their prices.

I believe this kind of competition is necessary and would not kill businesses, but lower the prices for all Americans, make competition real and force these private companies to fight for business.

While I believe the free market is important in our society, the government must be able to regulate it and make sure the American people are not getting the shaft.

The people complaining the most about the public option seem to be people on Medicare. You know, a government-run insurance provider.

The next time you think about how horrible it would be for the government to have its own health care group, remember what government intervention did for trash in your cities and ask yourself why it can't be done for health care.

Maybe some of us could afford it now.

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Giving God permission

Have you ever had God ask you for permission to do something? The thought of an almighty, all-knowing, all-powerful God having to ask his creation for permission to do something seemed ridiculous to me at first until it happened to me last month. So what did God ask my permission to do?

He asked permission to have a part of my life that had previously been kept off limits. It wasn't something sinful but it was something that was taking too much of my time and attention. My wife and family had no problems with me doing it but God kept bringing it to my attention as something he wanted changed within my life. He wanted me to spend more time with him, so in order to do that, my busy schedule had to accommodate his request.

In the life of every believer God has at some point asked permission to do something. At the beginning of our Christian walk the first thing he asks for is permission to come into our hearts. God has never forced salvation on anyone as he created a



By Joe Cowell

people who wanted to praise him not a mindless robot created to do as he wished. While some choose not to follow after God, there has always been a remnant of people who acknowledge him as King of Kings.

I really never thought of God asking permission to do anything within my life but I realize now that is exactly what a relationship with Jesus is all about: Giving God permission to change my life. A disciple is supposed to become more like the master every day, but that requires a discipline to know that he wants us to change to become more like him. John the Baptist even said in the book of John that "He must become greater; I must become less."

Why should you give God permission to do what he wants within your life? Because the sooner you learn to give him permission the sooner he will stop using trials and tribulations to get your attention. God knows what is best for our lives so he will not relent until his best is a reality within our lives.

I want God's best in my life so I am willing for him to do whatever he wants to do to make that a reality. I have given him permission to change whatever he wants for His glory. My life is no longer my own, but I have given my life to him because he gave his life for me. Give God permission and he will not disappoint; fail to give him permission and he will not relent until he has it all.

Rev. Joe Cowell is an ordained minister with Assemblies of God. With his wife Glenda, he will be planting a new church in the Bel Aire area in the next year. Reach him at 371-5486 or hopeag@gmail.com. See www.hopeag.net.

Fireworks

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"It is everything we want. It is just perfect."

Another person attending the meetings has been Jennifer Dehoet. Dehoet said fireworks would help Bel Aire become closer.

"It is the only holiday that can bring everyone together," Dehoet said. "We have all these other holidays that celebrate religions and other country's nationalism. This lets us celebrate as Americans."

Dehoet said her family celebrates the Fourth in Andover because of the restrictions in Bel Aire.

Dehoet is not alone as other residents and even council member Dave Sly have spent the holiday in Park City or other cities.

"It keeps people in town and in the community," Dehoet said. "It keeps people off the roads because people are out drinking and you don't want your family on the road. It is a dangerous situation."

Lasher said very few people have complained to him about the proposed change.

Ignoto said she has heard of very few complaints.

Policy

Currently, the council is considering a proposal that will limit fireworks to the type sold in Wichita, which only allows fireworks that stay under six feet in height and width.

The policy is different than current regulations in towns such as Kechi and Park City.

Millspaugh said the policy will not work.

"People in Wichita do not abide

by that six-foot rule," Millspaugh said. "People will go over to Park City or Kechi and get the full-strength ones."

Millspaugh said the rule would also create more work for the police department by making them test each firework sold to make sure it could be used.

"They are going to have to go out and test every effect that can be sold," Millspaugh said. "The will have to go out and look at it and measure it. It will take at least a whole day to do it."

Millspaugh said that issue is too much for even county firefighters.

The drafted ordinance would allow for four fireworks stands to be run by local groups.

Ignoto said the fireworks stands would bring revenue to the city, just like in Park City.

"If we get the stands to where they sell them here, that is a large source of revenue," Ignoto said. "That is always a positive for us."

Bel Aire fireworks stands will also suffer, according to Millspaugh.

"If I can go to a firework stand in Bel Aire two blocks away with the lower-grade stuff or drive two miles to the Kechi stand with the full-strength stuff, it is easy," Millspaugh said. "I am going to bypass the Bel Aire stand that are selling half-stuff."

Lasher said fireworks would only be shot on July 4 according to the proposed ordinance, something citizens are backing.

The proposal would allow fireworks to be shot from 9 a.m. to 11 p.m. if July 4 fell on a weekday or Sunday and from 9 a.m. to midnight should July 4 fall on a Friday or Saturday.

"One day is all we need," Dehoet said. "That is the day we signed the Declaration of Independ-

dence. They celebrated when they went to other towns. It wasn't on the Fourth every day for that first year, but every sequential year it was on that one day."

Ignoto said the one-day proposal is a good "baby step" towards getting more fireworks because it is a large change for citizens.

"There can be more changes later on as the year goes," Ignoto said. "We just want to get it passed and take it as easy as possible."

Sedgwick County

Recently, advocates of the change may have gotten a boost from Sedgwick County.

Millspaugh was asked to report on fireworks to the county commission at its meeting on Oct. 21 and now residents of the county may see firework shooting reinstated in the county.

Millspaugh said since 1979, fireworks have been illegal in the county and that even driving through the county with fireworks is illegal.

Millspaugh said the county has seen fire calls drop dramatically over the years and is pushing for fireworks to be allowed because of current law he calls "unenforceable."

"We could go out and ticket people like small families," Millspaugh said. "We are not going to go ticket large groups because we don't have the manpower to go into a party with 400 people shooting fireworks and drinking. I asked a sheriff if he would go into a party of that many people to write tickets and he said not without hundreds of officers."

Lasher said the council will continue to look at the proposal and will take action on Nov. 17.

Coliseum proposals good for county

As the process to determine who runs the Kansas Coliseum continues, we believe both proposals will benefit the county.

For decades, the Kansas Coliseum has been the center of entertainment for central Kansas and Sedgwick County.

Whether you have attended concerts, hockey games, rodeo or anything else at the facilities, the building has surely left an impact.

We believe that shutting the facility down would have been a waste of facilities with potential to last another 30 or 40 years.

While we do know there are problems that do need to be addressed, we hope these can be overcome so the facility continues to be a regional stop for events.

We were happy to see the county commission release the details of the proposals last month, but we, like Commissioner Kelly Parks, were disappointed in the little interest in the facility.

While Wink Hartman has pulled his proposal, we did like seeing his interest in the facility and still appreciate his fine facility at the corner.

As far as the other two proposals, we believe more questions must be answered from both NORAM and Heritage Development group.

We hope the county will get the answers and hope the commission chooses the best group to run the Coliseum.

One disappointment we did have was with the commission putting a no-compete clause in for the building.

While we believe the Intrust Bank Arena will be a great facility, it should have to compete with other venues.

We would like to see the process end soon, but we do not want a rushed decision from the commission.

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City of Bel Aire



NOTES FROM CITY HALL

Council Considering Changes to Fireworks Ordinance

Currently, fireworks are prohibited within the City of Bel Aire. The following highlights are proposed changes to the existing ordinance:

- Fireworks can be discharged in the City of Bel Aire only on July 4 from 9 a.m. to midnight when the holiday falls on a Friday or Saturday, and until 11 p.m. when it falls on Sunday through Thursday.
- Up to four firework stand permits will be issued based on first come, first serve.
- Each firework stand must have a local sponsor.
- The fee will be \$2,500 per stand for up to 2,500 square feet and an additional \$1 per square foot thereafter.
- Stands may be located on undeveloped land.

The council will discuss the issue in more depth at upcoming meetings.

City Hall closed for Veterans Day and Thanksgiving

City offices will be closed in observance of the Veterans Day holiday on Nov. 11. Offices will reopen at 8 a.m. Nov. 12. City offices will also be closed for the Thanksgiving Holiday, Nov. 26 and 27. Offices will reopen at 8 a.m. Nov. 30. For fire, medical or police emergencies please dial 911.

Lawn Care Tips

Now is the time to finish up winterizing lawns. As temperatures drop and grass begins to go dormant, it is important to prep for next year's growing season by fertilizing. Also be sure that all hoses are emptied and stored for the season to avoid freeze and thaw problems.

Special Thanks

Bel Aire Special Events would like to thank the sponsors and performers at the October 10th Bel Aire Day Fall Festival.

- Baughman Co. PA
- Bel Aire Lions Club
- Bel Aire Senior Club
- Catholic Care Center
- Community National Bank
- Crossroads Friends Church
- Enterprise Rent-A-Car
- Five Times Harder

- Granite Transformations
- Hall's Speed Shop
- ICI Strategic Insurance
- MKEC Engineering Consultants
- Morgan-Bulleigh Upholstery
- Roger Ringer
- Schwab Eaton PA
- Security Bank of KC
- Wickham Glass Co

*Join Bel Aire Special Events for the final event of the Four Seasons of Central Park, **Holiday Open House on December 6th** at City Hall starting at 1:00 pm.*

Get to know Bel Aire parks

In conjunction with the release of the Bel Aire Parks, Recreation and Open Space Master Plan, the City will be profiling all parks in Bel Aire.

Denise Park
Size: 3/4-acre
Type: Neighborhood Park
Location: Bel Aire Village Subdivision on Denise St.
Amenities: Large gazebo, composite play structure, swing set, composite benches
Future plans: Denise Park is built out, with little room for major equipment expansion. Routine maintenance will continue by the Parks Department.



Bel Aire Recreation

Boys basketball Ages 5-11. Practices begin the week of Dec. 14; games will start Jan. 9. Registration deadline for residents is Nov. 12. Non-residents may sign up Nov. 13.	Turkey shootout Celebrate Thanksgiving with a free-throw shooting contest. For boys and girls ages 5 through 18. The goal height and free throw line will be adjusted to accommodate each age group. Registration deadline is Nov. 14. This contest will be held the afternoon of Nov. 21 at a time to be determined.	Mondays and Wednesdays at the center.
Boys basketball clinic Ages 5-11; 1 to 4 p.m. Dec. 12.	Holiday crafts From 10 to 11 a.m. Dec. 12. Register by Dec. 9.	Tai-Chi Chuan Meets on the first Saturday of the month. We will start a new class that will meet from 6:10 to 7:10 p.m. Fridays as soon as 10 people sign up.
Folger's Gymnastics The Folger's Gymnastics curriculum will be used for all gymnastics classes. There are six skill levels, from beginner to competitive. Classes will meet on Tuesday evenings, at 5:45 and 6:30 p.m., beginning Nov. 10 (no class on Dec. 22 or Dec. 29). They are for boys and girls, ages 3 and up. Call Folger's Gymnastics at 733-7525 for more info or to register.	Taekwondo Ages 5 & up. Classes meet from 5 to 6 p.m. Monday and Friday or from 7:10 to 8:10 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday. From beginners to black belts.	Tai-Chi Qigong This exercise is slow, gentle and soft. Learn it in 10 weeks. <i>It is strongly encouraged that you attend the entire 10-week session.</i> A new session will begin when 10 people sign up.
	Yoga Classes are held at 6:10 p.m.	For more information on these or any Bel Aire Recreation Programs call 744-2700.

Bel Aire Senior Club

Activities are held at 4551 N. Auburn unless otherwise noted. Those 55-plus are welcome to participate. For information on programs and services for seniors, contact Vicki Shepard, Tri-City Senior Director, at 744-1199. The club is self-governed and activities benefit all participating seniors.

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mondays 10 a.m., computer class at Park City Senior Center (no charge)• Tuesdays and Thursdays, 10-11 a.m., exercise class• Wednesdays 2:30 p.m., free line dancing lessons, Park City Senior Center.• Thursday mornings (except for second Thursday each month), Wii open play, Park City Senior Center. 8 a.m., Brain Academy; 9 a.m. Bowling; 10 a.m. Tennis; 11 a.m. Balance board.	
Nov. 3, 8:30 a.m. 10 a.m.	Breakfast, Bread Basket in Newton Tour of Stutzman's Recycling. South of Highway 50, west of the golf course. Call Vicki at 744-1199 for directions
Nov. 9, 10 a.m. 11:30 a.m.	Board meeting Lunch
Nov. 11	Office closed, Veterans Day holiday
Nov. 18, 10 a.m. 11:30 a.m.	Men's coffee at Braum's Indian tacos and museum tour at Indian Center. Museum \$5 for seniors and tacos are \$6.
2 p.m.	Ladies' coffee/tea at Jimmie's Diner
Nov. 23, 6 p.m.	Evening covered dish meeting. Hosts Wanda Urquart & Lois Hiebert. Program: Lynn Miskall, certified laughter leader, light-hearted humor.

For services & resources for seniors, call Vicki Shepard, Tri-City Senior Director, 744-1199.

CITY OF BEL AIRE CONTACTS

City Council		Recreation Department	744-2700
Mayor Harold Smith		Central Park Pool	744-7331
Dr. Gary Breault		Parks Department	744-8609
Peggy O'Donnell		Police	
Carolyn Marlier		• Emergency	911
David Austin		• Non-emergency	744-6000
Dave Sly		Animal Control	
		(Sedgwick County)	660-7070
		Public Works	744-2888
		Water/Sewer Emergency (after 5 p.m.)	761-6972 or 761-6973
		Utility Billing	744-2451, ext. 132
		Trash (Stutzman)	1-800-230-0383
		Hazardous Waste	
		(Sedgwick County)	660-7464

City Hall	
Ty Lasher, City Administrator	744-2451 ext. 217

CITY OF BEL AIRE

UPCOMING EVENTS

November

2	Senior potluck dinner, 6:30 p.m.
3	City Council, 7 p.m.
4	Chamber of Commerce, noon
4	Municipal Court, 7 p.m.
4	Senior Advisory Board, 6:30 p.m.
10	Water Board, 2:30 p.m.
11	Bel Aire Lions Club, noon to 1 p.m.
12	Planning Commission, 6 p.m.
17	City Council, 7 p.m.
19	Municipal Court, 12:30 p.m.
24	Economic Development Board, 7 p.m.
25	Bel Aire Lions Club, noon to 1 p.m.

December (partial list)

1	City Council, 7 p.m.
2	Chamber of Commerce, 12 p.m.
2	Municipal Court, 7 p.m.

Sump pump awareness

As winter approaches it is important to think about sump pump issues. Sump pumps may be a necessity in some areas, but be aware of where that sump drainage goes.

City code prevents residents from connecting sump pump lines to the sanitary sewer and does not allow for the discharge of sump pumps into public areas that may create a nuisance.

Draining into the sanitary sewer creates excessive strain on the sewer processing plant by treating clean rain water. This can cause capacity problems that could potentially back flow into your system.

Discharging sump pumps over sidewalks and roadways can cause problems with ice as temperatures drop. Carefully selecting the discharge point for your sump pump can prevent many problems before they happen.

Notes from the Utility Department

You can sign up to have payment of your water bill taken directly from your checking account. Go to the Web site www.belaireks.com and the "Forms" link on the left side to print the form. Attach a voided blank check to the top of the form and either mail them in, bring them to the office or put them in the	drop box. ††† Utility bills are due the 10th of each month. If you do not receive a bill by the 25th of the month, you need to call the office for your balance. The City is not responsible for payments or bills delayed by mail. Penalties will be assessed as stated in the utility	policy. ††† Stutzman Refuse Disposal has distributed carts to all Bel Aire customers. If you did not receive one, please contact us with your name and address to request a cart. The City will no longer supply recycling bags. All recyclable items can be placed in	the cart without bagging or sorting. For more information, visit our Web site at www.belaireks.gov . ††† The Bel Aire Lions Club is collecting used eye glasses to be donated in America and abroad. You can leave them in a box for that located in the Utility Department office.
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Bel Aire Senior Center

All events are held at the Bel Aire Senior Center, 7651 E. Central Park Ave., unless otherwise noted and are for ALL SENIORS living in or near Bel Aire. Phone 744-2451, extension 121. Office hours are 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Mon. thru Fri.

For more information about the center and its activities, contact Rick Eberhard, Senior Coordinator, at either 744-2451, extension 121, or reberhard@belaireks.gov.

BEL AIRE SENIOR LIBRARY IS OPEN TO ALL BEL AIRE RESIDENTS
8 AM to 5 PM, MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY

Any senior can belong to or attend more than one senior center/club in Sedgwick County

Sr. Walking	Every weekday, 8 to 9 a.m., Bel Aire Rec Center
Yoga	Every Monday, 6:10 p.m., Bel Aire Rec Center
Bridge	Every Tuesday, 1 p.m.
Aerobics	Every Thursday, 1 p.m. (low impact)
Sr. Breakfast	Every Friday, 9 a.m. at Braum's, 3641 N. Rock Road, with Kechi Over 55 Club
Wii time	By request or when senior room is available.
Nov. 2, 6 p.m.	Potluck dinner and meeting. Special musical presentation for veterans by Heritage Strings. Please bring a covered dish to share and your own table service. Drinks will be provided. Sarah Taylor, SHICK coordinator for Sedgwick County, will talk about Medicare open enrollment.
Nov. 4, 6:30 p.m.	Senior advisory board meeting, senior room.
Nov. 5, 1 a.m.	Welcome to Medicare 2009, video and discussion.
Nov. 8, 2 p.m.	Health Foundation meeting, senior room.
Nov. 9, 10 a.m.	Flu shots by Home Healthcare Connection (cost).
Nov. 10, 10 a.m.	2009 Medicare open enrollment (starting Nov. 15) video & discussion.
Nov. 11	Veterans Day. Last day to register for Kansans Optimizing Health Program, from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., at the center.
Nov. 12, 10 a.m.	Understanding 2009 Medicare video and discussion.
Nov. 14, TBA	Red Hat Society. Call 744-2375 for details.
Nov. 15, TBA	Single seniors dine out (call 588-2820 for details).
Nov. 19, 11 a.m.	Free blood pressure checks.
Nov. 21, 6:30 p.m.	Seniors fun night. Bring board and card games and finger food or snacks.
Nov. 23, 10 a.m.	Kansans Optimizing Health Program special workshop No. 1.
Nov. 26-27	Thanksgiving holiday. Senior center closed.
Nov. 30, 10 a.m.	Kansans Optimizing Health Program special workshop No. 2.
Dec. 5, 9 a.m.	Holiday trip to Abilene. Tour Seelye Mansion, lunch at Brookville Hotel, shop for antiques in Old Abilene Town. Cost for tour and lunch RSVP to 744-2451, extension 121, by Dec. 1.

The Bel Aire Senior Center will be offering three senior cruises in 2010:
May 24, 2010 — The Bahamas (six days and five nights)
Aug. 28, 2010 — Alaska (eight days and seven nights)
Oct. 23, 2010 — Bermuda (six days and five nights)

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BEL AIRE POLICE REPORTS

Oct. 12 — Officer Swanson arrested Anthony East Reynolds in the 5600 block of East Mainsgate on a City of Bel Aire warrant, three Sedgwick County warrants and a Park City warrant.

Oct. 12 — Officer Hutton responded to an audible alarm in the 5700 block of East Flagstaff.

Oct. 12 — Officer Hutton assisted Kechi Police Department with an audible alarm in the 12000 block of East 101st North.

Oct. 12 — Officer Hutton responded to an audible alarm in the 4900 block of East Ashton.

Oct. 12 — Officer Hazelwood checked on a suspicious person at Danbury and Denise.

Oct. 12 — Officer Toomey responded to an alarm in the 4900 block of North Ashton.

Oct. 12 — Officer Toomey assisted Sedgwick County Sheriff's Office in the 5100 block of North Hillside.

Oct. 11 — Officer Hutton checked on a suspicious person in the 4700 block of North Webb Road.

Oct. 11 — Officer Hutton checked on an abandoned vehicle in the 6100 block of East 41st North.

Oct. 10 — Det. Pentecost responded to disorderly conduct in the 4500 block of North Fritillary Court.

Oct. 10 — Officer Steele responded to a motor vehicle accident at Summerside Place and Central Park Avenue.

Oct. 10 — Officer McCaslin responded to trash dumping in the 4900 block of East 53rd North.

Oct. 10 — Officer Hutton assisted EMS in the 6100 block of East Danbury.

Oct. 10 — Officer Hazelwood checked a residence in the 5100 block of East Ashton.

Oct. 10 — Officer McGuire responded to an audible alarm in the 4400 block of North Janesville.

Oct. 10 — Det. Pentecost and Officer Steele responded to an audible alarm in the 6200 block of East 37th North.

Oct. 10 — Det. Pentecost responded to vandalism in the 4500 block of Fritillary.

Oct. 10 — Det. Pentecost and Officer Steele responded to an audible alarm in the 6600 block of Summer-side.

Oct. 9 — Officer Steele reported that Sedgwick County Sheriff's Office had arrested Thomas Fitzgerald on a City of Bel Aire warrant.

Oct. 9 — Det. Pentecost responded to fraud in the 4400 block of Fritillary.

Oct. 9 — Sgt. Griggs responded to an audible alarm in the 5500 block of East 45th North.

Oct. 9 — Sgt. Spencer checked on a suspicious person at 45th North and Auburn.

Oct. 9 — Sgt. Spencer responded to an audible alarm in the 3900 block of Woodlawn.

Oct. 9 — Sgt. Griggs and Officer Hazelwood assisted Wichita Police Department with a traffic accident at K-96 and Woodlawn.

Oct. 9 — Sgt. Griggs responded to an audible alarm in the 4800 block of Hedgerow.

Oct. 9 — Officer Hutton responded to an audible alarm in the 3800 block of Woodlawn.

Oct. 9 — Officer Hutton checked on a suspicious person in the 10800 block of East 45th North.

Oct. 8 — Officer McCaslin assisted Kechi Police Department in the 400 block of Cherokee.

Oct. 7 — Officer Brandewiede responded to trash dumping in the 5600 block of East 39th North.

Oct. 7 — Officer Swanson reported that Wichita Police Department arrested Christopher S. Meisel on a City of Bel Aire warrant.

Oct. 7 — Sgt. Griggs and Officer McGuire checked the welfare in the 4900 block of North Woodlawn.

Oct. 7 — Officer McGuire checked the welfare in the 3900 block of North Oliver.

Oct. 7 — Det. Pentecost and Officer Brandewiede responded to an audible alarm in the 5400 block of East 48th North.

Oct. 7 — Officer McCaslin assisted Wichita Police Department in the 8000 block of Old Mill.

Oct. 7 — Officer Swanson responded to a disturbance at 37th North and Rock Road.

Oct. 6 — Officers Steele and McGuire responded to an assault in the

4500 block of North Westlake Court.

Oct. 6 — Officer Hutton arrested Justin M. Gilsar in the 4500 block of North Woodlawn on a charge of violating parole.

Oct. 6 — Officer McGuire checked the welfare of children in the 4800 block of North Hedgerow. Case information was forwarded to SRS.

Oct. 6 — Det. Pentecost responded to an audible alarm in the 5100 block of Remington.

Oct. 6 — Officer Steele assisted a motorist with an inoperable vehicle at 45th North and Rock Road.

Oct. 6 — Officer Steele checked for a suspicious person at 46th North and Webb Road.

Oct. 6 — Officer Steele checked the welfare in the 4800 block of North Hedgerow.

Oct. 6 — Officer Brandewiede responded to an audible alarm in the 5100 block of Remington.

Oct. 5 — Officer Brandewiede received found property at the station.

Oct. 5 — Officer Steele responded to disorderly conduct in the 5800 block of East 49th North.

Oct. 5 — Officers Toomey and Hutton responded to an audible alarm in the 5100 block of North Remington.

Oct. 4 — Officers Brandewiede and Steele responded to an audible alarm in the 5600 block of East 48th North.

Oct. 4 — Officers Brandewiede and Steele responded to an alarm in the 4900 block of North Farmstead.

Oct. 4 — Officer McCaslin responded to an alarm in the 4200 block of North Eagle Lake.

Oct. 4 — Officer Hazelwood checked for a suspicious person in the 4300 block of North Gunnison.

Oct. 4 — Officer Hazelwood checked for a suspicious person at Crestmark and Woodlawn.

Oct. 3 — Officers Hazelwood and McGuire checked for a suspicious person in the 5700 block of Clarendon.

Oct. 3 — Officer Hazelwood checked for a suspicious person at 61st North and 111th East.

Oct. 3 — Officers McCaslin and Hutton checked on a suspicious person in the 5900 block of East Perryton.

Oct. 3 — Officer McCaslin assisted Kechi Police Department in the 100 block of East Kechi Road.

Oct. 3 — Det. Pentecost assisted a motorist at 45th North and Woodlawn.

Oct. 3 — Officer McGuire assisted Sedgwick County Sheriff's Office at K-254 and Greenwich.

Oct. 2 — Officer Hutton responded to a larceny in the 6700 block of East 45th North.

Oct. 2 — Officer McCaslin arrested Justin M. Gilsar in the 4000 block of North Woodlawn on a charge of driving with a revoked license. Officer also arrested Walter Williamson on a City of Wichita bench warrant.

Oct. 2 — Officers Pate and Hutton checked for a suspicious person in the 6400 block of Rodeo.

Oct. 2 — Officer McCaslin responded to a larceny in the 4600 block of East 43rd North.

Oct. 2 — Officer McCaslin assisted Kansas Highway Patrol in the 6300 block of East 37th North.

Oct. 2 — Officers McCaslin and Hutton responded to an audible alarm in the 4200 block of Eagle Lake.

Oct. 2 — Officer Pate assisted a citizen at K-254 and Greenwich.

Oct. 2 — Officer Pate assisted Wichita Police Department in the 2600 block of Governor.

Oct. 2 — Officers Steele and Brandewiede checked on a suspicious person in the 4400 block of North Fritillary.

Oct. 2 — Officers McGuire and Hazelwood assisted Wichita Police Department in the 3500 block of North Rock Road.

Oct. 2 — Officers McGuire and Hazelwood assisted Wichita Police Department in the 4200 block of Del-rose.

Oct. 2 — Officer Hazelwood assisted Wichita Police Department in the 3700 block of North Woodlawn.

Oct. 1 — Det. Pentecost responded to trash dumping in the 8700 block

of East 53rd North.

Oct. 1 — Officer Brandewiede cited a motorist in the 3900 block of North Woodlawn for driving with a suspended license.

Oct. 1 — Officer Swanson arrested a juvenile in the 4500 block of North Woodlawn on a charge of possession of drug paraphernalia.

Oct. 1 — Officer Swanson and Sgt. Griggs checked for a suspicious person in the 4500 block of North Woodlawn.

Oct. 1 — Sgt. Griggs responded to disorderly conduct in the 6400 block of East Rodeo.

Oct. 1 — Officer McGuire checked on a suspicious person in the 5800 block of East 49th North.

Oct. 1 — Sgt. Spencer responded to a fireworks complaint in the 4300 block of North Janesville.

Sept. 30 — Officer Brandewiede found property in the 4800 block of North Hedgerow.

Sept. 30 — Officer Swanson and Sgt. Spencer assisted EMS in the 5800 block of East Flagstaff.

Sept. 30 — Officer Swanson reported that Steven L. Crawford had been arrested by Sedgwick County Sheriff's Office on a City of Bel Aire warrant.

Sept. 30 — Officer Swanson responded to vandalism in the 6000 block of East Clarendon.

Sept. 30 — Officer Swanson and Sgt. Spencer responded to a disturbance in the 4100 block of North Danbury.

Sept. 30 — Det. Pentecost checked on a suspicious person in the 6400 block of East Rodeo.

Sept. 30 — Det. Pentecost responded to an audible alarm in the 4500 block of Eagle Lake.

Sept. 30 — Officer McGuire checked on a suspicious person in the 5900 block of East Perryton.

Sept. 29 — Officer Steele responded to a motor vehicle accident at Perryton and North Woodlawn.

Sept. 29 — Officers Steele and Brandewiede assisted Wichita Police Department with an auto accident in the 7600 block of East 37th North.

Sept. 29 — Officer Steele and Det. Pentecost checked the welfare in the 6100 block of East Danbury.

Sept. 29 — Officer Swanson and Det. Pentecost responded to a disturbance in the 4100 block of North Oliver.

Sept. 29 — Lt. Enterkin and Det. Pentecost assisted Sedgwick County Sheriff's Office in the 6300 block of North Rock Road.

Sept. 29 — Officer McGuire checked on a residence in the 4900 block of Hedgerow.

Sept. 29 — Officer Swanson assisted Sedgwick County Sheriff's Office in the 12000 block of East 29th North.

Sept. 28 — Officer Hazelwood assisted Sedgwick County Fire Department in the 4300 block of North Eagle Lake.

Sept. 28 — Officer Hazelwood checked on a suspicious person at 45th North and Oliver.

Sept. 28 — Det. Pentecost assisted Sedgwick County Sheriff's Office in the 6200 block of North Rock Road.

Sept. 28 — Sgt. Spencer and Officers Hutton, Toomey and Swanson assisted Wichita Police Department in the 4200 block of Rushwood.

Sept. 28 — Officers Swanson and Hutton assisted Sedgwick County Sheriff's Office in the 3400 block of North 127th East.

Sept. 28 — Officer Toomey assisted a citizen in the 4500 block of North Oliver.

Sept. 27 — Officer Brandewiede responded to disorderly conduct in the 4900 block of North Parkhurst Court.

Sept. 27 — Officer Steele accepted property found in the 4500 block of North Oliver.

Sept. 27 — Officer Hutton responded to a 911 hang-up call in the 4200 block of North Auburn.

Sept. 27 — Officer Hutton checked for a suspicious person at 40th North and Harding.

Sept. 27 — Officer Hutton assisted Kechi Police Department in the 400 block of North Oliver.

Sept. 27 — Officer Toomey checked on a suspicious person at Eagle Lake Park.

Sept. 26 — Officer Steele and Det. Pentecost responded to disorderly conduct in the 4400 block of North Fritillary Circle.

Sept. 26 — Officers Hazelwood and Hutton responded to a medical situation in the 7100 block of East 37th North.

Sept. 26 — Officers Foxx and McGuire assisted Wichita Police Department in the 6500 block of East 37th North.

Sept. 26 — Officers Foxx and McGuire responded to a noise complaint in the 4600 block of North Farmstead.

Sept. 26 — Officer McGuire checked on a suspicious person in the 4200 block of North Rushwood.

Sept. 26 — Officers Hutton and Hazelwood checked the welfare in the 4000 block of North Auburn.

Sept. 25 — Officer Steele responded to vandalism in the 4900 block of East Willow Point Court.

Sept. 25 — Officers Hazelwood and VanHook checked the welfare of a citizen in the 4800 block of North Farmstead.

Sept. 25 — Officers McGuire and Foxx responded to a disturbance in the 4800 block of East Willow Point.

Sept. 25 — Officer McGuire responded to an audible alarm in the 4800 block of North Homestead.

Sept. 25 — Officer Steele assisted Sedgwick County Fire Department in the 4300 block of Linden.

Sept. 25 — Officer Steele assisted EMS in the 4400 block of North Edgemoor.

Sept. 24 — Officer Swanson reported that Sedgwick County Sheriff's Office had arrested Antonio Rice on a City of Bel Aire warrant.

Sept. 24 — Officers VanHook and Hazelwood responded to disorderly conduct in the 6000 block of East 45th North.

Sept. 24 — Officers VanHook, Hazelwood and McCaslin responded to an injury accident at Quail Ridge and Edinburg.

Sept. 24 — Officer McCaslin assisted a motorist in the 3500 block of North Rock Road.

Sept. 24 — Officer McCaslin assisted Kechi Police Department in the 400 block of Creek Road.

Sept. 24 — Officer Foxx checked on a suspicious vehicle in the 4000 block of North Woodlawn.

Sept. 23 — Officer Brandewiede responded to a larceny at 4200 N. Mission.

Sept. 23 — Officer Swanson responded to a larceny in the 6800 block of East Odessa Court.

Sept. 23 — Det. Pentecost responded to a larceny in the 4300 block of Mission.

Sept. 23 — Officer Hazelwood responded to a fraud case in the 6400 block of East Danbury.

Sept. 23 — Officer Swanson responded to an audible alarm in the 4300 block of Westlake.

Sept. 22 — Officer Steele checked for a suspicious person in the 4800 block North Hedgerow.

Sept. 22 — Officer Swanson responded to a larceny in the 4400 block of North Edgemoor.

Sept. 22 — Officer Swanson responded to a burglary at 5048 Prestwick.

Sept. 22 — Officer VanHook received lost property in the 4200 block of West Lake Drive.

Sept. 22 — Officer McGuire responded to a larceny in the 6400 block of East Perryton.

Sept. 22 — Sgt. Griggs checked for a suspicious person in the 6300 block of East Perryton.

Sept. 22 — Officer McGuire checked for a suspicious person at Rock Road and Oaktree.

Sept. 22 — Officers Hazelwood and VanHook responded to a hit-and-run accident near 127th East and 53rd North.

Sept. 22 — Officer Steele responded to the 4800 block of Hedgerow for a found property case.

Sept. 21 — Sgt. Spencer assisted a motorist in the 5700 block of North Webb Road.

Sept. 21 — Officer Brandewiede responded to a hold-up alarm in the 3700 block of North Woodlawn.

Sept. 21 — Officer Steele assisted a motorist in the 6700 block of East 45th North.

Sept. 20 — Officer Steele responded to vandalism in the 5800 block of East Denise.

Sept. 20 — Office Steele responded to vandalism in the 4000 block of North Farmstead.

Sept. 20 — Officer Foxx reported that Wichita Police Department had arrested Steven Roseberry on a Sedgwick County warrant, a City of Wichita warrant and a City of Bel Aire warrant.

Sept. 20 — Officers Foxx and Toomey checked for a suspicious person in the 5600 block of East Memphis.

Sept. 20 — Officer Toomey arrested Brandon K. Hickles on a charge of driving with a suspended license in the 6000 block of East 37th North.

Sept. 20 — Officers Steele and Brandewiede responded to an audible alarm in the 6200 block of East Quail Ridge.

Sept. 19 — Det. Pentecost responded to vandalism in the 4300 block of North Mission.

Sept. 19 — Det. Pentecost arrested a juvenile at the station on a charge of possession.

Sept. 19 — Officer Medlin and Det. Pentecost responded to disorderly conduct in the 500 block of East Memphis.

Sept. 19 — Officer Foxx responded to a report of trash dumping in the 6300 block of East 53rd North.

Sept. 19 — Officer Hazelwood checked the welfare of a citizen in the 4300 block of North Woodlawn.

Sept. 19 — Officer Hazelwood checked the welfare of a citizen at Woodlawn and Gunnison.

Sept. 19 — Officer Foxx responded to a noise complaint in the 5200 block of East 45th North.

Sept. 18 — Det. Pentecost responded to a motor vehicle accident in the 4400 block of Westlake.

Sept. 18 — Officer Hutton assisted EMS in the 4800 block of North Battin.

Sept. 18 — Officer Hutton arrested a juvenile in the 5900 block of East Clarendon on a charge of possession.

Sept. 18 — Officer Hutton responded to an audible alarm in the 4300 block of Janesville.

Sept. 18 — Officer McGuire checked for a suspicious person in the 4200 block of North Stratford.

Sept. 18 — Det. Pentecost checked for a suspicious person in the 6100 block of Edinburg.

Sept. 18 — Officer Steele checked on a suspicious person in the 9400

block of East 53rd North.

Sept. 17 — Officer Swanson responded to a medical situation at city hall.

Sept. 17 — Officer McGuire arrested a subject in the 5500 block of North Rock Road on a charge of DUI. The subject's name was not available.

Sept. 17 — Officer McGuire and Sgt. Griggs responded to an assault in the 100 block of Prairie Creek.

Sept. 17 — Officer Hazelwood checked on a suspicious person near Willowpoint and Willowpoint Court.

Sept. 17 — Officers Hazelwood and McCaslin responded to an audible alarm in the 4500 block of Woodlawn.

Sept. 17 — Officer Foxx assisted Wichita Police Department at 37th North and Woodlawn.

Sept. 17 — Officer Foxx assisted Kechi Police Department in the 6100 block of North Woodlawn.

Sept. 17 — Officer Foxx checked for a suspicious person in the 4400 block of North Oliver.

Sept. 17 — Officer Swanson checked for a suspicious person in the 4500 block of Westlake.

Sept. 16 — Officer McCaslin responded to disorderly conduct in the 4200 block of North Country Lane.

Sept. 16 — Officer McGuire received found property in the 4200 block of North Westlake.

Sept. 16 — Officer McGuire reported that Augusta Police Department has arrested Matthew D. Morgan on a City of Bel Aire warrant.

Sept. 16 — Officer McGuire assisted Sedgwick County Sheriff's Office in the 3000 block of East Central.

Sept. 16 — Officer Swanson checked for a suspicious person at 37th North and Rock Road.

Sept. 16 — Officer Swanson responded to an audible alarm in the 7400 block of North Greenwich.

Sept. 16 — Officers Swanson and Hazelwood responded to an audible alarm in the 6300 block of East 47th North.

Sept. 16 — Officers Hazelwood and McCaslin responded to an audible alarm in the 6300 block of East 37th North.

Sept. 16 — Officers Hazelwood and McCaslin checked on a suspicious person at Quail Ridge and Woodlawn.

Sept. 15 — Officer Steele responded to disorderly conduct in the 4300 block of North Westlake Court.

Sept. 15 — Officer McGuire assisted EMS in the 4400 block of North Eagle Lake.

Sept. 15 — Sgt. Griggs checked for a suspicious person in the 4000 block of North Clarendon.

Sept. 15 — Officer Steele responded to an audible alarm in the 5700 block of East 39th North.

Sept. 15 — Officer Hutton responded to a disturbance in the 5800 block of East Flagstaff.

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NEWS HIGHLIGHTS

Man arrested on arson charge

A report of a burning GMC SUV led to an arrest warrant for a Valley Center man on Oct. 21.

The call was taken by the Sedgwick County Fire Department shortly after midnight on Oct. 16 near 12800 E. 61st North.

“Our guys arrived on scene to a fully-involved vehicle fire,” said Sedgwick County Fire Marshal Tim

Millspaugh. “There was an SUV in the road, with no one around.”

Millspaugh said the department did an investigation and found one of the vehicle’s owners, a male in his mid-20s, was responsible.

“We took a gentleman in from Valley Center,” Millspaugh said. “We questioned him and he admitted to starting the fire on purpose.”

Millspaugh said the individual was released after being picked up.

“He was burned,” Mill-

spaugh said. “We released him, even after his confession, to get checked out at the hospital.”

— Chris Hunter

Report of larceny at former park

Park City police responded to the former Wild West World theme park property after receiving a report of a larceny in late October.

Police said electrical items

were found missing from the wall in the bumper cars area. Items also were taken from the wall in the former acrobat building. Loss was estimated at \$7,300.

— The Breeze staff

Four arrested in Wichita fire

Three former Valley Center students and another teenager have been charged with burglary and arson stemming

from a fire in north Wichita.

Annegela Tedesco, 18, Matthew Crow, 19, Nicholas Clark, 20, and Aron Walker, 20, were arrested about 8:30 p.m. on Oct. 22 at 3601 N. St. Francis Ave.

Gordon Bassham, Wichita Police Department spokesman, said the suspects entered an abandoned building through an unlocked door.

Bassham said when officers arrived they found the building’s contents on fire.

Bassham said Tedesco of Park City, Crow of Valley

Center, Clark of Park City and Walker of Wichita were all arrested while trying to flee.

“They tried to escape out the back door and were apprehended,” Bassham said.

Bassham said the subjects were questioned and admitted to starting the fire.

Bassham said the charges of arson and burglary are felonies.

— Chris Hunter

CHURCH HIGHLIGHTS

Christ Lutheran Church

Sunday services include worship at 8:15 and 10:45 a.m., with Sunday school for both children and adults at 9:30.

The church is located at 5356 N. Hillside, across from Heights High School, at 53rd North and Hillside.

Find the church online at www.christ-lutheran.org; e-mail office@clc.kscoxmail.com. Call the church office at 744-1242 for more information.

Church of the Resurrection

Church of the Resurrection (Roman Catholic) is located at 4910 N. Woodlawn in Bel Aire.

Masses for the Lord’s Day are Saturday at 5:30 p.m. and Sunday at 8:30 and 11 a.m. Weekday Masses are 8 a.m. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday; also at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday.

Resurrection Catholic School has students from preschool through eighth grade.

The parish/school Web site is www.resurrectionwichita.com. Phone number is 744-2776. Rev. Sherman A. Orr is the pastor.

Community Bible Chapel

The church is located at 4551 Auburn, south of 45th North between Oliver and Woodlawn, in Bel Aire.

On Sunday at 9 a.m. is worship service and breaking of the bread, with Bible study and Sunday school at 10:30.

Wednesday evening, prayer and Bible study is at 7 p.m.

For more information, call Melvan Adair at 316-744-7091.

Crossroads Friends Church

Crossroads Friends Church meets at Stucky Middle School (east from 45th North

and Hillside) at 10 a.m. every Sunday, with its Worship Experience in the school cafeteria starting at 10:30.

Every Sunday at Crossroads includes a Moonwalk for kids, Crossroads Cafe and Coffee bar, relevant and engaging messages, cutting-edge music with a live band and a dynamic Crossroads Kids program.

Lead pastor is Jeff Mullen, a teacher at Heights High School. Call the church office at 361-0407 or visit it online at www.crossroadswichita.com.

Fairmount United Church of Christ

The church is located at 1605 Fairmount in Wichita. Adult and children’s Sunday school classes begin at 9:15 a.m. with worship service at 10:30. Michael Poage is the pastor. For more information, please call 682-1597 or visit at www.fairmountucc.com.

Kechi United Methodist Church

Located at 4533 E. 61st North in Kechi, the Rev. Guy E. Rendoff is the pastor. Church phone number is 744-1221.

Sunday worship services are at 9:03 and 11 a.m., with Sunday school at 10.

Yoga meets at 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays at Kechi City Hall. Children’s choir Chancel choir will not meet again until the fall.

The church’s phone number is 744-1221. It is still collecting 18-ounce jars of peanut butter, diapers and tuna fish for the United Methodist Open Door.

Park City Christian Church

Sunday worship service is at 9 a.m. with Sunday school at 10. Bill Nestelroad is pastor of the church, located at 2230 E. 61st North. Phone 744-0493 or 744-2091. The church

accepts food donations for Union Rescue Mission.

Park City Church of the Nazarene

Sunday school for all ages is at 9:30 a.m. Worship and children’s church are at 10:45. The church is located at 2100 E. 61st North in Park City. Wednesday Bible study for adults begins with sandwiches and chips at 6:15 p.m.

Pine Valley Christian Church

Located at 5620 E. 21st North. Sunday school at 9 a.m. with worship at 10:15. For more information call 685-2421.

University United Methodist Church

Located across from the WSU campus at 21st & Yale. Sunday activities include adult

and youth educational classes at 9:15 a.m. traditional service at 10:30 and youth group activities from 4 to 6 p.m. E-mail uumc2220@uumc.net; phone 686-6765. Rev. Phil Shull is the pastor.

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PEOPLE HIGHLIGHTS

The University of Kansas Department of Student Housing has named its 2009-10 student leaders, including resident assistants for KU’s eight residence halls, proctors and food board managers for 12 scholarship halls and top officers for the five university housing organizations.

Among those selected were Carne D. Williams, son of Kevass and Teketa Harding, Templin Residence Hall Resident Assistant; and Andrea

Michelle Black, daughter of Jeffrey and Pamela Black, Gertrude Sellards Pearson Residence hall Resident assistant.

Students chosen as live-in resident assistants, their duties include serving as role models, handling administrative and programming duties and performing paraprofessional advisory functions for residents.

About 5,000 people live in KU student housing facilities.

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Innovative Retirement Strat-

egies will be hold a Long Term Care and Safe Investments seminar. It will be at 5:30 Nov. 5 at the Park City Senior Center. The presenters will answer any pertinent questions to provide a better understanding of how the State of Kansas Partnership plan works with Long Term Care insurance.

RSVP to Aaron Stegman or Dennis Wheeler at 316-788-8813.

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A Holiday Shopping Party

will be from 1 to 5 p.m. Nov. 14 in the basement of the Furley Co-op. Visitors are invited to browse through a variety of vendors, including Avon, handmade glass jewelry, children’s books, enviro cleaning products and the Furley United Methodist Church bake sale.

DEATH

ESTHER CERTAIN

Esther Certain, 76, of Garnett, sister of Dorothy Thompson of Kechi, died Oct. 18, 2009. Service was Oct. 21 at the First Baptist Church in Garnett, with burial at Garnett Cemetery.

She was born April 16, 1933, at Garnett, the daughter of Perry LeRoy and Opal Amelia (Carrier) Gordon. She attended Parker and Gorham high schools before marrying Robert F. Certain on Aug. 30, 1952.

She was a member of 4-H, First Baptist Church in Garnett,

American Baptist Women, Southern Baptist Association and was a Sunday school teacher for 35 years.

She was preceded in death by her parents, sister Barbara Hampton, brothers Richard Gordon and Billy Gordon, and half brothers Wayne, Lynn Erving, and Roy Gordon.

Other survivors include husband Robert Certain of the home; daughters and son-in-law Mary Certain of Benton, and Melody and Chuck Certain of Garnett; grandchildren Roxann Brecheisen, Manny Certain and

Maurice Certain; great-granddaughter Eva Rose Brecheisen; stepgrandchildren Gigi and Charles; seven step-great-grandchildren; sister Doris Shelton of Kansas City, Mo., and brothers Bob Gordon of Homewood and Jim Gordon of Pomona.

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Coliseum

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Act.

To accommodate the ADA, NORAM proposes more parking stalls to be added, as well as a drop-off point with access for wheel-chairs and ambulances.

The NORAM proposal states the building would not compete with the Intrust Bank Arena.

NORAM proposes to continue to use the existing pavilions as well as add on several other buildings.

Included in the proposal are a hotel, camper and RV retail store and possibly three other retail entities.

Spangler said he was fine with the release of the proposals.

“It is the appropriate time,” Spangler said. “It is good to have the information out and we are continuing to work with the county. I think all in all it is going to be fine. The process is not complete yet, but after the next process of interviews things will be going smoothly. We want to build something up there that will be very dynamic for Sedgwick County and the region.”

Heritage

The Heritage proposal is called Saddle Rock Rodeo Resort.

It states it will not use the Britt Brown Arena.

The group says Britt Brown Arena does not meet the criteria for a national rodeo site and does not have enough space for such events.

Another complaint about the building is the cost to operate the facility.

“Britt Brown cannot be viewed as the primary contestant arena,” the proposal states. “The partnership suggests the shutting down of Britt Brown until the Board of Commissioners can decide the best course of action for the arena. Spectators and the public will not be allowed inside the building. The partnership may use the arena for construction staging during the construction and renovation of the remainder of the property.”

While the Britt Brown Arena may be out, Heritage has specific plans for each of the pavilions.

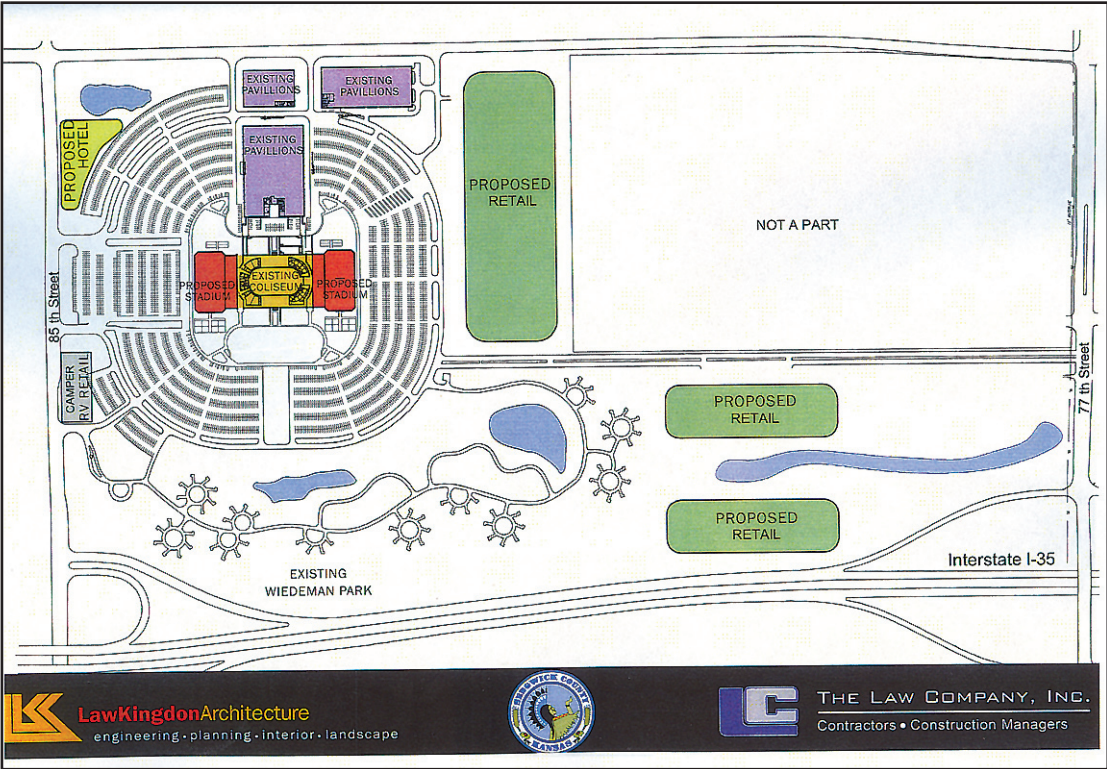
As part of the Saddle Rock Rodeo Resort, Pavilion 1 would be designated the main arena space.

Roughly 7,500 bleacher seats would be available for events to comply with rodeo standards.

In Pavilion 2, the proposal suggests keeping the facility the same.

The final pavilion, the Arena, would require updating, according to Heritage, to continue to operate.

Heritage said the building



NORAM’s proposal calls for use of the Britt Brown Arena as well as the pavilions. NORAM plans to modify the arena to add to stadiums and also is looking to put in three retail facilities on the property.



The Saddle Rock Rodeo Resort proposal calls for the use of the pavilions and arenas on the coliseum site. Not included in the proposal is a use for the Britt Brown Arena, but shuttle service to the Intrust Bank Arena would be provided to residents.

would continue to be used for regional events, but said climate controls would need to be added.

Other additions to the Kansas Coliseum property include 1,000 horse stalls, a 50- to 70-room hotel and shuttle service to locations such as the Intrust Bank Arena in Wichita.

Heritage’s proposal states large events would start to take place in 2011.

Also included were various endorsements from several organizations.

The National Cutting Horse Association, the Greater Wichita Area Sports

Commission, the Wichita Kennel Club, Inc. and the Kansas Horse Council have all written letters supporting Saddle Rock Rodeo Resort.

Parks said the Heritage

proposal was an interesting plan, but said he was unsure of the connection between Heritage and former County

Commissioner Ben Scior-tino.

“He was on the commis-sion when the downtown are-na was made and he didn’t have anything good to say about Britt Brown,” Parks said. “Now that he is a con-sultant, and defeated county commissioner, he hooked up with Heritage Development.”

Parks said Sciortino even told the county to “raze Britt Brown or whatever you need to do with it” during the re-cent round of interviews.

Parks said he felt the call to demolish Britt Brown from Sciortino was “strange.”

Also, despite Heritage’s work getting events for the Kansas Coliseum in recent months, Parks said events picked up by Heritage would not stay just with the group, but be available to all groups.

“I do know that all of them are still hooked up with High School Rodeo,” Parks said. “Heritage does not have a lock on that one event. The High School Rodeo and Heritage do not go together and the High School Rodeo people know that.”

Hartman

Wink Hartman’s Hartman Arena has brought competi-tion to the Wichita area with a variety of events, from Wichita Wild football to Alan Jackson and New Kids on the Block.

While Hartman Arena has become an alternative to the

coliseum, Hartman had been pushing to take over the op-eration of his closest rival, but now he has backed out.

“William Buchanan called me and advised me that Hart-man’s proposal had been with-drawn,” Parks said on Oct. 26. “It was unspecified why.”

Parks said he was not particularly surprised that Hartman was the one to pull out.

“Of the three that would have withdrawn, I am not sur-prised,” Parks said. “He has a vested interest in an entertain-ment venue out there already.”

Slow process

While more details slowly come out, Parks said he would still like the issue decided by the end of the year.

“I hoped it would move faster than this,” Parks said. “The Thunder is still playing out there. It isn’t going to turn into a pumpkin on Hallow-ween.”

Park said his biggest con-cerns about the projects were the financing, but said “that is all I can say about that.”

“We don’t want it to be an- other Wild West World,” Parks said. “We need to make sure whichever plan we pick has strong financial backing.”

The committee review-ing the proposals includes Parks, commissioner Gwen Welsheimer, County Man-ager Bill Buchanan, assistant county managers, county counselor, County Chief Fi-nancial Officer Chris Chronis, Iris Baker and an intern.

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